

In the Specification:

Please amend the two paragraphs of page 8 as follows:

Figures 1 and 2 show an external view and a cross-sectional view of the complete impact munition or cartridge of the invention, which is defined to comprise in combination a propulsion casing or shell 10 and a projectile comprising a projectile base ~~body~~ 20 and a projectile nose 30. The impact munition is constructed so as to be useable in firearms or launchers of known type, especially those firearms or launchers having rifled barrels, such as for example a 40mm rifled-barrel gas gun or an M203 rifled grenade launcher. The dimensions of the cartridge may vary to accommodate launchers of different caliber (37mm, 66mm, etc.), as well as shotguns of varying gauges. The propulsion shell 10 may be of known type, and is shown to comprise an annular forward wall 14 having a forward shell rim 16 and joined to a shell base 11 having a rear wall 17. A co-axially oriented propulsion cavity 12 is disposed in the shell base 11 and retains propulsion means 13 of known type, preferably a smokeless system. The annular forward wall 14 defines a shell cavity 15 to receive the expanding gases produced by the propulsion means 13 at discharge.

Mounted in separable manner onto the front of the propulsion shell 10 is a projectile comprised of a projectile base ~~body~~ 20 joined to a projectile nose 30. The projectile base ~~body~~ 20, preferably composed of a polycarbonate material, comprises a domed forward end ~~wall~~ 21 joined to a cylindrical wall 22 such that the combination defines a projectile cavity 23. The exterior of the cylindrical wall 22 is provided with an undercut 24 that defines a rearward extending annular insertion flange 25. The insertion flange 25 is received within the shell rim 16 and shell forward wall 14 in a male-female coupling, such that the projectile cavity 23 and the shell cavity 15 combine to form a single larger cavity.